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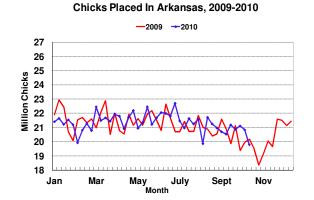
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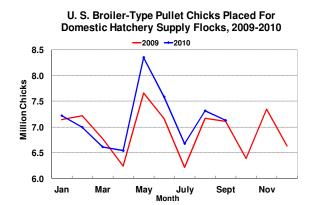
Arkansas Chick Placements Down 2 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 19.8 million during the week ending October 23, 2010. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2009 and down 5 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 22.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending October 23, 2010, up 4 percent from the same period last year but down 4 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.13 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during September 2010, up slightly from September 2009.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, September 25, 2010 - October 23, 2010

State	Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending				
		1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks			
Alabama	30,292	28,544	29,445	28,620	29,381	21,250	20,019	19,989	20,902	20,438
Arkansas	24,039	22,821	23,216	23,350	22,462	21,175	20,861	21,101	20,826	19,788
Delaware	4,044	3,952	3,862	3,336	3,747	5,136	4,565	4,668	4,837	4,334
Florida	1,360	1,358	1,358	1,095	1,220	1,092	1,172	1,105	1,149	1,101
Georgia	32,314	30,322	30,319	30,223	30,733	27,731	27,586	24,744	28,139	24,565
Kentucky	8,197	7,373	7,510	7,455	7,952	6,767	6,984	5,899	7,125	5,209
Louisiana	3,456	3,098	3,440	3,424	3,098	2,974	2,775	3,039	3,053	2,748
Maryland	7,232	7,450	7,514	7,148	6,910	5,237	6,244	5,542	6,642	6,574
Mississippi	18,049	17,418	17,605	18,527	18,152	15,031	16,424	16,017	15,492	14,580
N. Carolina	19,762	19,203	17,523	18,831	19,807	14,320	14,315	14,585	14,715	15,001
Oklahoma	6,583	6,336	6,533	6,306	6,795	3,321	4,993	4,016	4,488	4,712
Pennsylvania	3,763	3,694	3,622	3,718	3,924	3,119	3,048	2,908	2,958	2,959
S. Carolina	6,021	5,288	5,127	5,313	5,465	4,885	5,040	4,705	4,803	5,376
Texas	15,184	15,474	15,771	14,343	14,791	13,508	13,838	11,942	12,916	13,206
Virginia	6,195	5,769	6,461	6,229	6,366	5,149	4,863	5,436	4,698	4,591
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,624	18,424	19,124	17,960	18,209	16,652	16,619	16,551	16,402	16,364
19 State Total	205,115	196,524	198,430	195,878	199,012	167,347	169,346	162,247	169,145	161,546
Prev. Year Total	193,476	183,016	190,600	186,101	188,815	162,040	160,413	155,860	160,297	150,963
% of Prev. Year	106	107	104	105	105	103	106	104	106	107

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 5 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 199 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 23, 2010. This was up 5 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 7 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 162 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 23, 2010. Placements were up 7 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through October 23, 2010 were 7.13 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.